

27. The interlocking modular block system for mortarless wall assembly according to claim 4, wherein the blocks may be used to house lintels without requiring the use of form work.

28. The interlocking modular block system for mortarless wall assembly according to claim 4, wherein the blocks provide for the construction of load and non-load bearing walls.

Remarks

Claims 5 and 7-10 have been amended to eliminate the multiple dependencies. New claims 11-28 have been added to cover the same subject matter as the portions of the original claims deleted by this amendment. Accordingly, claims 5-22 as amended herein embrace the same subject matter as original claims 5-10. No new matter has been added.

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Amended Claims

5.(amended) The interlocking modular block system for mortarless wall assembly according to [any one of] claim[s] 1, [2, 3 or 4] wherein the block-interlocking means comprises male and female interlocking means.

7.(amended) The interlocking modular block system for mortarless wall assembly according to [any one of] claim[s] 1, [2, 3 or 4] wherein the blocks provide void space to house stability and stiffening means in both horizontal and vertical directions.

8.(amended) The interlocking modular block system for mortarless wall assembly according to [any one of] claim[s] 1, [2, 3 or 4] wherein the blocks provide for the construction of door and window openings.

9.(amended) The interlocking modular block system for mortarless wall assembly according to [any one of] claim[s] 1, [2, 3 or 4] wherein the blocks may be used to house lintels without requiring the use of form work.

10.(amended) The interlocking modular block system for mortarless wall assembly according to [any one of] claim[s] 1, [2, 3 or 4] wherein the blocks provide for the construction of load and non-load bearing walls.